

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 10720 of 2025**

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MOINALI MAKHDUMAHMED BUKHARI & ANR.

Versus

STATE BANK OF INDIA, CHAIRMAN & ORS.

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Appearance:

MR ZUBIN BHARDA ADVOCATE WITH MR VAIBHAV A VYAS(2896) for the
Petitioner(s) No. 1,2MR SHALIN MEHTA SENIOR ADVOCATE WITH MR RITURAJ M
MEENA(3224) for the Respondent(s) No. 1,2,3,4

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CORAM:HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE NIRAL R. MEHTA**Date : 05/05/2026****ORAL ORDER**

[1] By way of this petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, the petitioners have approached this Court by calling in question the legality and the validity of the communications dated 26th May 2025 and 3rd June 2025, by which the State Bank of India has de-paneled the petitioners.

[2] It is submitted that more or less the similar issue is pending before the Hon'ble Apex Court in the case of **Ajay Vijnh vs. Indian Banks Association and others [Special Leave Petition (Civil) Diary Nos.10787 of 2024]**, wherein the arguments are

concluded and the matter is reserved for judgment vide order dated 29th April 2026.

[3] In light of the aforesaid, at this stage, there shall be stay of communications dated 26th May 2025 and 3rd June 2025.

[4] Needless to clarify that by virtue of this order, the petitioners shall not be entitled to claim any file / case of the State Bank of India, however, shall be at liberty to apply for Panel Advocate in any other Banks. It is further clarified that the subsequent appointment of the petitioners in any of the Banks shall be subject to final outcome of this petition.

List this matter on 25th June 2026.

CHANDRESH

(NIRAL R. MEHTA,J)